# K-64 GOVERNING BOARD

# **MEMBERS**



# LARRY AIELLO, JR.

Retired President & CEO, Corning Cable Systems LLC

Larry Aiello joined Corning Incorporated in 1973 and held various manufacturing, management and executive positions before retiring in 2008. During his tenure as president and CEO, Larry led a remarkable turnaround of Corning Cable Systems, one of the company's most significant businesses. His community involvement has included board service with Catawba Valley Community College, Catawba County United Way and International Speedway Corporation. Larry and his wife, Susan, reside in Conover and have three children.



# **DAVID BRITTAIN**

IRS Enrolled Agent/Manager, Rita S. Brittain CPA, PA & Chair, Catawba County Board of Education

With more than 17 years of public accounting experience, David Brittain has extensive expertise in taxation and works many cases in taxpayer representation before the IRS and the N.C. Department of Revenue. He was first elected to the Catawba County Board of Education in 2010 and is currently serving as board chair. David's other community service has included board membership with the N.C. School Boards Association and Lenoir-Rhyne University's Alumni Board. He and his wife, Lisa, live in Claremont with their two children.



## SHERRY BUTLER

Executive Director, The Green Room Community Theatre & Catawba County Commissioner

As the lead executive for the Green Room for 13 years, Sherry Butler has created a sustainable business model for the nonprofit including leading a \$4.4M capital campaign and securing its home in Newton's Old Post Office Playhouse. Following a 17-year tenure on the Catawba County Board of Education, she was elected to the Board of Commissioners in 2014. Sherry's community involvement also includes board service with the county's Social Services and Public Health divisions. A Newton resident, she has two adult sons and three grandchildren.



## MICHAEL ELLWANGER

Director, Global Cable Product Development, Corning Optical Communications

Michael recently celebrated his 25-year work anniversary with Corning. He moved to Hickory with his wife, Michelle, in 1991, where they have raised four children – all of whom attended Blackburn Elementary, Jacobs Fork Middle and Fred T Foard High. When their children were younger, his volunteer activities included coaching baseball and serving on the Mountain View Recreation Department board. More recently, Michael has served as an Edison Project mentor and currently serves on the Hickory Business Development Committee.



## KIMBERLY GEORGE

Vice President, Communications and Corporate Citizenship, Alex Lee, Inc.

Kimberly George began her role in communications more than 10 years ago after working in many areas of the Alex Lee business, which includes retail grocery and wholesale distribution. She is an Accredited Business Communicator (ABC) and a Master in Business Administration (MBA). Kimberly's community service includes board positions with the SALT Block Foundation, the Catawba Valley Community Foundation, the American Red Cross, and PORCH. She also serves as an appointee to the City of Hickory Bond Commission.



## **REGINALD HAMILTON**

Department of Corrections & Chair, Hickory Board of Education

Reginald Hamilton currently chairs the Hickory Board of Education. He was first elected to the board by write-in ballot while serving as a school PTA president in 2005. A U.S. Army veteran, avid sportsman and basketball coach, Reginald has worked with the Department of Corrections for more than 20 years in various supervisory roles. Reginald and his wife, Darnell, moved to the Hickory area due to the strength of its public schools. All three of their children attended Hickory Public Schools and have pursued higher education.



# JEANNE JARRETT

Assistant CFO, Catawba County & Chair, Newton-Conover Board of Education

Jeanne Jarrett chairs the Newton-Conover Board of Education, where she has served since 2011. She has worked in Catawba County's finance division since 2002 and was named the County's 2016 Employee of the Year. Jeanne earned the Certified Public Accountant designation in North Carolina and is also a Certified Local Government Finance Officer. Jeanne and her husband, Robert, reside in Conover. Their two children attended Newton-Conover City Schools, where their daughter Lynette is now a teacher. They have five grandchildren.



**ROBYN MINGLE** 

Senior Vice President, Human Resources, CommScope

Robyn Mingle joined CommScope's executive team in July 2016, relocating from New York where she was a founding executive team member for the global pure-play water company Xylem Inc. She has also held senior HR positions with Black & Decker and Hovnanian Enterprises, one of the nation's largest high-production homebuilders. Robyn's community involvement has included board service with the Maryland Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the Baltimore Business Leadership Network.



**TONY ROSE**President & CEO, Catawba Valley Medical Center

During his 23-year tenure with CVMC, Tony Rose has helped position the medical center as a regional leader in healthcare by guiding the transformational growth of its services, facilities, and staff. Tony's community involvement has also been extensive, including current board service with the Catawba County Economic Development Corporation and the Boy Scouts of America. In 2016, he was named to The Order of the Long Leaf Pine, one of the most prestigious honors conferred by the N.C. Governor. Tony and his wife, Karen, have two adult children.



STEPHEN SHUFORD

CEO, Shurtape Technologies

Stephen Shuford is responsible for the strategic direction and continued profitable growth of Shurtape, a global leader in the industrial, professional contractor, and consumer tape markets. Having joined Shurtape in 1997, he represents the fifth generation of the Shuford family to lead the company. Stephen's community service includes board membership with the Catawba County Economic Development Corporation, the N.C. Chamber of Commerce, and Charlotte Country Day School. Stephen and his wife have two sons.



**SHEREE WATSON** 

CEO, Graystone Eye

Sheree Watson is responsible for overall strategic and operational leadership of Graystone Eye. Her community involvement has included board service with the N.C. Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, the N.C. Physical Therapy Association, Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, Lenoir–Rhyne's Business School, and the Catawba County Chamber of Commerce. She has also served as a church deacon, committee chair, and choir member. Sheree and her husband, Mike, live in Hickory and have two adult children.



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## **EX-OFFICIO**

















DR. ROBBIE ADELL

Superintendent, Hickory Public Schools

After joining HPS in 2015, Adell began leading strategies that are helping to increase academic achievement and graduation rates. He also created the district's Resource Center for Professional Development to support staff growth.

## **MICK BERRY**

Catawba County Manager

Berry was named County Manager in 2016 after a successful 12-year term as Hickory City Manager. His role includes facilitating the Board of Commissioners' strategic plan to drive economic and workforce growth in the County.

## DR. GARRETT HINSHAW

President, Catawba Valley Community College

Hinshaw joined CVCC in 2006 and immediately set his sights on establishing the college as a regional hub for innovative workforce and economic development initiatives. In 2017, CVCC was named North Carolina's #1 Community College.

## LINDSAY KEISLER

President & CEO, Catawba County Chamber of Commerce

Keisler joined the Chamber in 2010 and over six years helped transform the membership organization into the nationally-recognized 2016 Chamber of the Year. She was named to the Chamber's top executive post in 2017.

## **SCOTT MILLAR**

President, Catawba County Economic Development Corporation

Since joining the EDC in 1993, Millar has helped attract companies such as Apple, Target, and Williams-Sonoma along with multi-million-dollar investments and jobs to Catawba County. He was named 2010 N.C. Economic Developer of the Year.

## DR. DAVID STEGALL

Superintendent, Newton-Conover City Schools

Stegall joined NCCS in 2007 and as Superintendent helped the system achieve the highest graduation rate (97.1%) in state history in 2015. He was named Northwest N.C. Superintendent of the Year by his peers in 2017.

## DR. MATTHEW STOVER

Superintendent, Catawba County Schools

Stover took the helm of CCS in late 2016 and has just begun establishing a new vision that builds on the system's strengths. He is responsible for operating the county's largest school system serving 16,000+ K-12 students.